JC05 Rec'd PCT/PTO 30 SEP 2005

2003P04344WOUS

Ľ-

Approved for use through 04/30/2003. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Attorney Docket Number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

Application Number

Not Yet Assigned

Filing Date

September 30, 2005

First Named Inventor

Art Unit

Not Yet Assigned

Michaell use vig 201741

Art Unit

Not Yet Assigned

Examiner Name

Not Yet Assigned

Not Yet Assigned

Sheet

of 2

		Document Number	U.S. PATENT	Name of Patentee or Applicant of	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevar Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	
Examiner Initials *	Cite No.1	Number - Kind Code ² (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Cited Document		
	1	US- 4,935,875	06-19-1990	Shah et al.		
	2	US- 4,817,101	03-28-1989	Wyeth et al.		
		US-				
		US-				
		US-				
		US-		·		
		US-				
		US-	·			
		US-				
		US-				
		US-				
		ųs-				
		US-				
		US-				
		US-		,		
		US-				
		US-			•	
		US-				
		US-				
	-	US-				

	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear			
Examiner Initials*		Country Code ³ - Number ⁴ - Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY			T ⁶		
	3	DE 101 58 745 A1	06-26-2003	Siemens AG				
	4	WO 02/095506 A2	11-28-2002	Siemens AG				
	5	EP 0 290 274 A1	11-09-1988	Hamamatsu Photonics K.K.				
		<u> </u>						
					·			

Examiner Signature	Date Considered	

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. 1 Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. 3 Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 4 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 5 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. 6 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English Janguage Translation is attached.

document. 5 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. 6 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

JC05 Rec'd PCT/PTO 30 SEP 2005

PTO/SB/08b(05-03

Approved for use through 04/30/2003. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO					Complete if Known		
		ORA A TION	DIO	OL OCUPE	Application Number	Not Yet Assigned	
				CLOSURE	Filing Date	Segtember 30, 2005	
	STAT	EMENT B	YA	PPLICANT	First Named Inventor	Michael Ludwig 1	
					Group Art Unit	Not Yet Assigned	
	(use as many sheets as necessary)			necessary)	Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned	
	Sheet	2	of	2	Attorney Docket Number	2003P04344WOUS	

OTHER PRIOR ART NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials *	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.					
	6	B. ENGERS and J. SCHULTZ, J. PLITZ, "Die Anbindung von Sensorsystemen an Feldbusse", SENSORIK aktuell, Sonderausgabe, November 2001, http://www.ama-sensorik.de/download/sensorik_sond_1101.pdf, Pages 8-9.					
	7	G.Y. TIAN, Z.X. ZHAO and R.W. BAINES, "A Fieldbus-based intelligent sensor", Mechatronics, Vol. 10, 2000, Pages 835-849, XP004201716.					
		·					

Examiner	Date	
Signature	Considered	

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

ġ.

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 120 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.